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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TO GUATEMALA; HELICOPTER TOUR

1. FOREIGN MINISTER MOLINA ORANTES HAS JUST CALLED ME TO SAY THAT CONTRARY TO EALIER EXPECTATIONS, ALTHOUGH PRESIDENT LAUGERUD WILL GREET SECRETARY AT THE AIRPORT UPON HIS ARRIVAL HE WILL NOT ACCOMPANY THE SECRETARY ON THE HELICOPTER TOUR OF THE DISASTER AREA. INSTEAD FOREIGN MINISTER WILL ACCOMPANY THE SECRETARY. THE PRESIDENT WILL BE AT THE CHINOOK AREA AWAITING THE RETURN OF THE SECRETARY AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER AFTER THE HELICOPTER TOUR. THE PRESIDENT THEN WILL TAKE THE SECRETARY IN HIS CAR IN THE MOTORCADE TO THE COMANDANCIA FOR THE PRIVATE MEETING FOLLOWED BY THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

2. WITH RESPECT TO THE PRESS CONFERENCE THE FOREIGN MINISTER ASKED WHETHER IT WAS THE INTENTION OF THE SECRETARY TO HAVE HIS OWN PRESS CINFERENCE OR TO HAVE ONE JOINTLY WITH THE PRESIDENT. WE ASSUME THAT, AS AT OTHER STOPS IN LATIN AMERICA, THE SECRETARY WOULD PREFER TO HAVE HIS OWN PRESS CONFERENCE. HOWEVER, WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION OF THIS.
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